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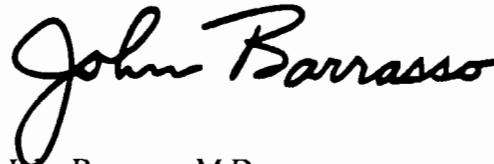
Nicole Distefano
Deputy Associate Administrator
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1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
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Dear Ms. Distefano,

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence I have received from my constituent concerning the EPA warehouse located in Landover, MD. I hope that you will carefully review this inquiry and provide a detailed response regarding the current use of the warehouse and the state of the furniture and equipment and inventory that was located therein. I ask that you please also provide my office with a copy of your response.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



John Barrasso, M.D.
United States Senator

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RE: EPA FACILITY IN LANDOVER, MD

exempt watched news coverage regarding over 70,000 dollars worth of furniture and gym equipment being stored. The EPA has been responsible for this, and instead of just putting this useful stuff in storage *exempt* suggests that the military could have a use for them, the pentagon, and that if we are going to use the budget for these commodities, we should be using them.



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The Honorable John Barrasso, M. D.
United States Senator
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Barrasso:

Thank you for your January 3, 2014, letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the EPA's warehouse facility in Landover, MD. I appreciate your interest in this matter.

The EPA has transferred all excess furniture and equipment stored at the warehouse in accordance with the Federal Property Management Regulation. The agency transferred all unneeded furniture to the General Services Administration for reuse, redistribution or other proper disposal and the unneeded gym equipment was transferred to the Government of the District of Columbia. The assets remaining in the warehouse have been accounted for using a new management tool for inventorying and tracking personal property and agency assets. In addition, the agency has released three bays of warehouse space to the GSA which will result in an annual rent savings of \$442,000 per year. We will continue to coordinate with the GSA to properly dispose of any excess government equipment held by the agency.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Carolyn Levine in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at Levine.carolyn@epa.gov or 202-564-1859.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Craig E. Hooks", is written over a horizontal line.

Craig E. Hooks
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Assistant Administrator